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## CalNonprofits Releases Report on Impact of California's Nonprofit Sector

On August 5, 2014, [CalNonprofits](#), a statewide alliance of nearly 10,000 nonprofit organizations promoting the interests of California's nonprofit sector, released a report, [Causes Count: The Economic Power of California's Nonprofit Sector](#), "the first report of its kind to examine the nonprofit sector's scope, activities and economic impact" in California.

If you don't have time to read the full 60-page report, at least check out the Key Findings. There's something for everyone: Grantees will appreciate that California foundations make nearly \$2 billion in grants in California annually; economists will love that nonprofits represent 1/6 of California's gross product; unions will take note that nonprofits are the fourth largest industry by employment in California; politicians will eye the \$37 billion nonprofits pay in taxes; and those who benefit from the work of nonprofits (after all, who doesn't?) will smile at the 75,000 plus organizations working to make the world a better place.

Best news: Californians overwhelmingly trust nonprofits to act on behalf of the public and deliver quality services.

Worst news (well, it's hardly news): Resource disparities across rural/urban, racial, and socioeconomic status communities are significant and persistent.

Kudos to CalNonprofits for producing this report.

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